Sanctuary since 1984-85, year-wise, is given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Years	Central Assistance Provided
1984-85	8·00
1985-86	..
1986-87	..
1987-88	25·00
1988-89	13.80
1989-90	13·65
TOTAL	60·45

(c) No specific scheme for development of Chandaka Wildlife Sanctuary during the Eighth Five Year Plan has been received.

Setting up of Indian Institute of Information Technology

861. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of the Indian Institute of Information Technology proposed to be set up in the country as per the software policy of the Department of Electronics;

(b) whether Government have already set up some such Indian Institute of Information Technology at some places;

(c) if so, the main objective of setting of such Institutes; and

(d) the specific work done by those Institutes during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) to (d) As per the Software Policy, 4 Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs) were proposed to be set up in the country. Initial ground work towards setting up the IIITs has been done. In view of the large investments involved and the need to provide well defined directions in the establishment of the IIITs, Department of Electronics had invited views from a cross-section of academics and those engaged in the areas of implementation and application of Informatics and related disciplines, regarding objectives scope, logistics and administration of these institutions. Their views have been received. In order to develop a convergent perspective of the goals etc. of these institutions, Department of Electronics held a Workshop where different aspects relating to the setting up of the institutes were discussed. All the recommendations are being further examined.

The main objective in this exercise is to develop expertise and manpower in the emerging area of Informatics and its wide spectrum of applications.

Shortage of Science Books in the Country

862. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the shortage of science books in the country particularly in regional languages;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have any plans to increase the production of standard science books in different languages; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND